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Vision of a new gateway

DETAILED plans for a major new Banbury retail park have been revealed.

According to developer LxB Retail Properties, The Banbury Gateway development is set to include a Marks & Spencer and Next as flagship stores.

The park is planned at the present site of motorsport firm Prodrive, near junction 11 of the M40 at Wildmere



By Oliver Evans

industrial estate, and would create up to 500 jobs.

Prodrive, one of the town's largest employers, would move to the nearby Hella car lighting factory, which is vacant.

The move will allow it to consolidate its 12 buildings and other UK bases into one purpose-built HQ employing 600 people.

At the retail park, Marks & Spencer would provide clothing, homeware, food and a cafe, while Next would sell

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Plans as Prodrive relocates

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clothing, homeware, DIY and garden products.

Marks & Spencer spokesman Brett Lowther said: "We are in discussions about a potential new development at this site to complement our existing high street store in Banbury."

Seven further units and three or four food and drink outlets, served by a shuttle bus service to the town centre, would also be developed.

Parking would be free.

LxB chief executive Tim Walton said a deal was set to be signed with Marks &

Spencer and Next.

On the other units he added: "They are likely to be large retailers looking to move into Banbury for the first time. It opens up a huge catchment area for them."

The firm hopes it will attract shoppers who would otherwise travel to places like Oxford, Milton Keynes, Bicester Village and Leamington Spa.

But Mr Walton said the plans would not see Marks & Spencer and Next close their Banbury town centre stores or any other town retailers leave for the site.

He added: "You have multiple ways of engaging the customer, whether it is



A computer-generated image of how the Marks & Spencer store could look

large sites, smaller sites or the Internet."

Prodrive chairman and chief executive David Richards said: "We have had positive feedback from all quarters."

There is strong demand for the motor racing technology services the firm provides, but it was hampered by a lack of space, he said.

About 450 people work on the site.

Banbury and District Chamber of Commerce chairman Claire Kingsbury backed the plan but said: "I think there is a feeling among the town centre retailers of them not being quite so positive, but they

appreciate there are no large units in the town centre."

Plans to redevelop the Gala bingo hall and multi-storey car park at the town centre's Bolton Road were also announced this month.

Mrs Kingsbury said this was aimed at "upmarket" retailers and so would "complement" the retail park plan.

Chris Chandler, who runs Chandler's cafe in Church Lane, said: "If M&S is going to stay in the town then hopefully it won't be too bad."

LxB hopes to submit planning applications for the Prodrive move and retail park in the coming weeks for

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Most of your week seems taken up looking for someone you want to speak to. Look in places you'd go, or where they normally choose. However, you may have something to say to them. Family prove trying but stand your ground if you know you need to say it to that favour they're asking. Call now to make the most of your life.

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Venus promises to reveal a secret you'd rather have kept. Don't stress, he's doing it a favour. You're in a mischievous mood and just what you will do to satisfy it, remains to be seen. Careful of gossiping about an ex. You may want to remember the saying about people in glass houses. Call now to reveal your future.

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Listening, not talking, this bonfire weekend can reveal to you how a close one really feels about you. Try not to cut corners with your work. You may not realise it, but important faces are watching you and you could end up undoing all of the good work you have put into your career. Call now to hear why you must avoid lies at work.



LIBRA Sep 23-Oct 22

Something you thought you wanted no longer seems to hold a greater appeal now that it can be yours. Revelations which come your way on Thursday tell you where and with whom your future lies. Call my starline now to hear how your destiny links to travel.

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Arguments turn to passion for many of your sign as you finally admit how you really feel. Use caution when talking about your plans for the future. There is a certain degree of privacy which will need to be kept if you are to see things happen with the speed you desire. Call now to hear why your home is under the spotlight.

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You'll be doing all you can this week to find out what close ones are willing to commit to. Don't ask for what you don't want just to test them, or it will come back on you. Telling lies in business cannot and should not be an option. Stick to truths if you want to gain respect. Call now to hear why Gemini are important to your week.

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Travel is well started and can help you to make an all important crossover in your career. Once you've made your mind up about something, it's very hard for anyone to change it. This time though, it's worth you taking the leap. You may have to make some important decisions to make your dreams come true. Call now to hear why you need to ask for more from family.

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Teen tells of fears for a 'lifesaver'



Jordan Rolfe, who has turned his life around with the help of the youth service

A TEENAGER, who credits Oxfordshire's youth service with saving his life, has expressed his fears over the future of the service.

Jordan Rolfe, 17, said he was concerned about changes to how the Oxfordshire County Council service was funded, with centres relying more on volunteers.

He said: "I had a bad past and I believe the youth service saved my life."

"About three years ago I had problems with drugs and alcohol, basically just about every drug you can think of.

"I started going to the youth centre and got off the drugs and clean and sober. But if I hadn't gone there, I think I would have ended up either in prison or dead."

So inspired was Jordan by the youth workers at Banbury Youth Centre, he has now begun training with a view to going into the profession himself.

He joined a 25-strong group who went to Parliament

By Fran Bardsley

recently to petition MPs to sign an Early Day Motion calling for a debate on support for youth services.

Council funding was withdrawn from 13 youth centres, though some form of work will continue at all of them, thanks to public "Big Society" cash.

The authority has continued to fund six further centres, Banbury, as well as East Oxford, Littlemore, Abingdon, Didcot and Witney, to tackle issues like truancy and substance abuse.

Yet Mr Rolfe said: "I don't want it to be like that when I get all the qualifications. There are no jobs out there."

Sober for two years, the North Oxfordshire Academy student said: "I was struggling at school and they helped me with my school work.

"As I was getting off the drugs, they were giving me

something to work on instead of getting drunk or stoned. They helped me get into music. Now I would consider myself a semi-professional musician."

He spoke to hundreds of people at a rally at London's Central Methodist Hall.

He was also part of a delegation to Banbury MP Tony Baldry, while others lobbied Oxford West and Abingdon MP Nicola Blackwood.

But Louise Chapman, county council cabinet member for children, education and families, said: "I would say to him, do not be

"Banbury has massive investment coming to its youth centre and we are running more youth centres across Oxfordshire than we ever have."

She added: "There will always be opportunities for fully-qualified youth workers. I would tell him to go on and go forward."

News in brief

A WOMAN, aged 55, was punched in the face in an unprovoked attack outside flats in Bretch Hill, Banbury. A man lashed out at the woman at about 10pm on Wednesday of last week, leaving her with minor injuries. The man is described as 5ft 8in to 5ft 10in tall, of medium build, and was wearing an off-white Adidas hooded top and light coloured jeans. Call PC Lucy McDonagh on 0845 8 505 505 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

TWO teenagers, left fighting for their lives after the Mini they were travelling in crashed, are now in a stable condition. A police spokesman said that a 16-year-old girl was in a "critical but stable condition" at the John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford, where she was taken after the Mini collided with railings in Southam Road, Banbury, at about 12.55am on October 26. A 19-year-old man, who was also treated for life-threatening injuries, was yesterday described as "stable". An 18-year-old man from Banbury was arrested on suspicion of dangerous driving and was bailed, pending further enquiries, until November 26. Witnesses should call PC Sian Pringle on 08458 505505 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555111.

Knife-wielding gang in Co-op robbery

TWO men wearing motorcycle helmets held up staff at knifepoint in the Rotary Way Co-op shop, Banbury.

At about 7.20am on Sunday the pair, armed with kitchen knives, burst into the store.

One grabbed a shop worker and forced him to open the till. They then stole cash and cigarettes before running off towards Lapsley

Drive. No staff were injured.

One suspect is described as being white, about 6ft tall, of medium build and in his late 20s. He was wearing a black full-face motorbike helmet, but with a red and yellow pattern on it, a dark coloured jacket, trousers, and gloves.

The other man was also white,

shorter than the other suspect and of stockier build. He is aged in his late 20s and also wore a black full-face motorbike helmet, but with a red and yellow pattern on it, a dark coloured jacket, trousers, and gloves.

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Banbury MP's anger at new plan

HS2 route 'ludicrous'

By Sam McGregor

PROPOSALS for an alternative route for the planned £33bn High Speed Rail link (HS2), which would run closer to Oxfordshire towns, have been attacked by MP Tony Baldry.

It was reported shadow transport minister Maria Eagle told the Airport Operators Association on Monday that the London Euston-to-Birmingham line should follow parts of the M40 and Chiltern line.

The Liverpool MP thought Heathrow airport should be connected by HS2.

It is understood the new route would run closer to Banbury and then link up with the original line at Leamington Spa or Warwick before running to Birmingham Airport and its city centre.

But North Oxfordshire

proposed HS2 route runs straight through the centre of this town, or whether they think there is spare land between the motorway and Banbury, but either way the suggestion is quite simply undeliverable."

The current proposal for the HS2 route will cut across the north-east corner of Oxfordshire between Finmere and Mixbury.

It follows the line of the disused Great Central Railway, which closed in 1966.

Bernie Douglas, chairman of anti HS2 campaign group VoxOpp, said: "Our view is if we did have high speed rail it would be preferable to run along an existing transport corridor... but that does not mean the business case or environmental case stacks up."

Man is accused of being region's prolific burglar

A MAN from Chipping Norton man has been charged with a string of distraction burglaries in Oxfordshire, Buckinghamshire, Berkshire, Northamptonshire, Wiltshire and Gloucestershire.

Police charged 59-year-old William Vinson, of Cotswold Terrace, with 11 burglaries, which happened between September 2010 and October this year.

Vinson, who was remanded in custody, will

appear at Oxford Magistrates' Court on November 18. He is accused of burgling homes in Hanney Road, Southmoor, on January 7 and Whitehall Lane, Checkendon.

In Horse Close, Great Haseley, he is said to have taken £120 on August 25 and a purse containing £160 in Church View, Stoke Row, on September 15.

In total he is charged with snatching more than £3,500 in cash from homes.

Vinson is also accused of taking cash from homes in Northamptonshire, on September 14 last year, in Buckinghamshire, on May 10 and August 22 this year and in Northamptonshire on September 28. He is charged with stealing handbags containing cash on October 3 in Gloucestershire and October 17 in Wiltshire.

On October 18 he is accused of grabbing £2,500 from an address in Blisworth, Northamptonshire.

Standard is dedicated

A NEW standard was blessed at a dedication service for a forces welfare group. Members of the Banbury Household Division Association attended the service at St John the Baptist, Bodicote, on Sunday. The members paraded from Cherwell District Council's offices to the church, led by Pipe Major Steve Duffy.

The association has more than 40 members dedicated to the welfare of the families of and former members of the Blues & Royals, Grenadier, Scots, Irish, Welsh, Coldstream and Life Guards.

Staff celebrate after 'outstanding' report



Headteacher Helen Ruff joins children in the classroom

STAFF, children and parents are celebrating a triple success after a nursery school, day care and children's centre – based on one site – were all rated "outstanding".

Following an inspection in September, the Ace Centre Nursery School and Gems Day Nursery in Burford Road, Chipping Norton, were given top grades in every area of inspection.

The Ace Children's Centre was rated outstanding last year, meaning all three aspects of the centre now have Ofsted's highest accolade.

Inspector Sheila Boyle praised the day nursery's quality of care and said: "Staff recognise the uniqueness of each child and plan effectively for their needs and, as a result,

By Fran Bardsley

they make good and often outstanding progress."

She talked about the nursery's excellent range of resources, and described links with the other provider on site, and externally, as outstanding.

The environment was described as "highly stimulating" and it was noted children developed excellent relationships with their peers.

The Ace Centre Nursery School managed to maintain an "outstanding" judgement for the third inspection in a row.

Reporting inspector Bogusia Matusiak-Varley said: "Highly professional staff, led expertly by a visionary headteacher, stop at nothing in order to

improve on previous best performance.

"There is no complacency in this nursery, as maintaining an outstanding judgement in three previous inspections has forced staff to seek even greater levels of challenge."

She added: "It rightly deserves the glowing reputation it has in the community."

Helen Ruff, who is headteacher at the nursery school and head of the day care and children's centre, said: "Everybody is really, really chuffed.

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RESIDENTS can meet their local police officers to discuss concerns today at the band stand, from 2pm to 3pm. Another meeting will be held at Adderbury Library, High Street on Saturday, from 11am to midday.

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David Crystal, the Rev Sarah Tillett and Gordon Campbell with the King James Bible at the Bloxham Faith Festival

Festival takes literary look at religion

A MAJOR faith festival has been hailed a "complete success" after its first year.

Crowds flocked to St Mary's Church for the Bloxham Faith Fest at the weekend.

The 200-strong audience saw *EastEnders* writer Tony Jordan cry during a screening of his work, heard novelist PD James read scenes from her books, and sang with broadcaster Rabbi Lionel Blue.

Event organisers, including St Mary's Church vicar the Rev Sarah Tillett and North Oxfordshire MP Tony Baldry, conceived the idea to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the King James Bible.

Ms Tillett said: "It's been enormous fun and a complete success. I wanted to do something not solely focused on the KJV and Tony Baldry thought we should do a literary festival.

"I'd just seen Tony Jordan's *The Nativity* and had this longing to meet him. I phoned him and he said he'd come. Once we got him I was confident it would all come together."

Mr Jordan, creator of *Life on Mars* and *Hustle*, topped the bill on Saturday talking

about his controversial take on Christ's birth, which aired on BBC One last Christmas.

He said: "What fascinates me is the reverence with which this story has been told over the years.

"The storytellers' guiding principle has been not to upset anyone. I decided to upset the established church.

"I didn't take much notice of the original story and then a strange thing happened. I felt dirty and disrespectful. I wanted to show the power."

During a screening of the complete series, Mr Jordan was in tears.

PD James explained how church scenes and religious moments in her books often helped accelerate the personalities of her characters.

And Rabbi Blue – best known for Radio 4's *Thought for the Day* – invited the audience to sing the Christian song *One More Step Along the World I Go*, which he used to sum up his faith.

Organisers are now asking for feedback to improve the second Bloxham Faith Festival next year.



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Verdicts from the local courtroom

CASES from Banbury Magistrates Court:

- Andrew Marshall, 26, of Samuelson Court, Banbury, admitted shoplifting frozen mince, bacon, cheese, washing powder, three bottles of wine, newspaper and a blue-and-red bag valued at a total of £82 from Londis in Banbury on September 26. Also admitted failing to surrender to court bail on October 12. Jailed for two months "because you're a prolific petty offender".
- Michelle Cordell, 30, of Warwick Road, Banbury, admitted being the owner of a dog dangerously out of control in a public place, namely the

park between Ferriston and Ironstones in Banbury, and while out of control injured someone on March 12. Given a 12-month conditional discharge and told to pay £1,000 compensation and £85 costs. The dog, Frankie, was ordered to be neutered and microchipped by December 20.

• Carl Korszewski, 28, of Cornish Road, Chipping Norton, convicted of failing to provide a specimen for analysis in relation to a suspected drink-drive offence on June 12 in Chipping Norton. Admitted failing to stop a vehicle when required to do so by a constable. Given 80 hours' unpaid work and told to pay £500

costs. Banned from driving for three years.

- Daniel Arnold, 20, of no fixed address, admitted stealing a pedal cycle in Banbury on September 9. Fined £50, a £15 victims' surcharge, £40 costs and £300 compensation.
- Matthew O'Connor, 22, of Samuelson Court, Banbury, admitted using threatening, abusive or insulting words or behaviour towards PC Morgan and PSCO Capps to cause a fear of immediate violence in Banbury on September 14. Given a six-month drug-rehabilitation order and nine months' supervision. Told to pay £85 costs.

Paxman to be quizzed

THE tables will be turned on Jeremy Paxman in two weeks, when he takes questions about his new book in Chipping Norton.

The journalist and presenter, famous for his tough questions on BBC Two's *Newsnight*, will appear at Chipping Norton Town Hall on Thursday, November 10.

He will discuss his new book, *Empire: What Ruling the World did to the British*, and take questions from members of the public.

Mr Paxman will be introduced by Patrick Neale, who co-owns the Middle Row bookshop and cafe Jaffé and Neale.

Mr Neale said: "It will no doubt be an entertaining evening.

By Tom Jennings

"Jeremy has written a fascinating book giving a new twist to the story of Britain painting the map red."

He added: "I am really looking forward to introducing Mr Paxman and it is great to have another celebrity author called Jeremy in town."

Chipping Norton is home to fellow journalist and presenter Jeremy Clarkson, who hosts the BBC Two show *Top Gear*.

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Figures reveal big NHS Trust bosses' salaries and payoffs

Call for transparency over chiefs' payouts

BOSSSES have remained tight lipped over a £100,000 payout made to the former head of the John Radcliffe Hospital.

It was also revealed that the current chief executive of the Oxford Radcliffe Hospitals Trust earns £235,000 a year — £90,000 more than his predecessor.

Trevor Campbell Davis left the role as chief executive of the ORH Trust in July 2009, saying he had left his position for "personal circumstances not appropriate to discuss publicly".

Later, in a letter to staff, it was said Mr Campbell Davis, who was paid between £185,000 and £190,000 a year, had gone to pursue a new international healthcare role.

But, according to recently released financial statements for 2010/2011, Mr Campbell Davis was handed a £100,000 payout in March for "compensation for loss of office".

An HMRC spokesman said compensation for loss of office was paid when employment ceased, sometimes before the contract had expired.

The trust refused to comment on why the payment was made.

Emma Boon, from the Taxpayers Alliance, said Oxfordshire residents needed more transparency.

She said: "Taxpayers have a right to know how and why their money is being spent."

"It's simply not good enough for hospital bosses to do the equivalent of handing a brown bag of cash to a departing chief executive with no explanation."

By Amanda Williams

"It's our money they are spending. There will be serious disappointment for taxpayers that the trust did not seek better value for his replacement, hiring a new chief executive at a massively inflated salary seems like very poor value indeed at a time when savings need to be found."

But Dame Fiona Cauldicott, chairman of the trust, defended current chief executive Sir Jonathan Michael's £235,000-a-year salary.

The average pay for a hospital chief executive is £158,800.

Sir Jonathan Michael joined the ORH as its new chief executive in April 2010.

She said: "There are clearly a

number of factors that influence the salary offered for a particular role.

"The key ones are the prevailing market rate for a job of a similar size and complexity and the skills and experience that are needed to successfully undertake the role."

"The salary paid to the chief executive during 2010/2011 is within a comparable pay range to other large teaching hospitals and also to other senior roles across the public and private sector."

"Sir Jonathan has brought first-class skills and experience to the trust and has already succeeded in implementing changes leading to quality and performance improvements."

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The former chief executive of the Oxford Radcliffe Hospitals Trust, Trevor Campbell Davis

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Court ruling gives councils priority creditor status

Icelandic council cash to be repaid



Ken Attack

MILLIONS of pounds invested by Oxfordshire councils in collapsed Icelandic banks will be repaid.

The five Oxfordshire councils with money tied up in two failed banks will get 98 per cent of the £21m they invested, after a nationwide bid to return funds was successful.

The Icelandic Supreme Court made the ruling for UK councils to have priority creditor status for failed Landsbanki and Glitnir, among the institutions to collapse in 2008.

Councils invested in the banks to get a high rate of return and the Local Government Association has been

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battling to get cash returned since.

Oxfordshire County Council had £5m in Landsbanki and Cherwell District Council had £6.5m in Glitnir.

West Oxfordshire District Council had invested a total of £7.5m in Landsbanki, while Vale of White Horse had £1m. Oxford City Council had £1.5m in Glitnir.

Lead member for financial management, Ken Attack, said: "We are delighted the Icelandic Supreme Court has upheld the earlier decision in favour of UK local authorities and other UK wholesale

depositors. This judgment means that Cherwell has priority status over other creditors' claims and will be paid first when it comes to getting its money back.

"This decision, which comes more than three years after the banks failed, is a huge victory."

He added: "The cost of the litigation to date amounts to less than one per cent of the amount we expect to recover."

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SPEECH: Trade growth needed

PRIME Minister and Witney MP David Cameron has thrown his weight behind a major business campaign being run by Newsquest Oxfordshire.

Mr Cameron said he wants to see "the reindustrialisation of Britain" and has pinpointed initiatives such as Business Accelerators as being key to its success.

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Speaking to an audience of regional newspaper publishers, editors and political correspondents at the Newspaper Conference, Mr Cameron said: "We need to have the reindustrialisation of Britain; we need the growth of manufacturing and technology, of tradable goods.

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dents at the Newspaper Conference, Mr Cameron said: "We need to have the reindustrialisation of Britain; we need the growth of manufacturing and technology, of tradable goods.

"You are all playing a role in that through the Business Accelerators campaign launched this week, nearly 500 daily and weekly titles joining forces to find the nation's most promising young businesses and help accelerate their business – it's a brilliant, practical idea."

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And he declared: "Newspaper advertising is a great tool for

getting your message across."

Mr Anderson explained that the nature of his newspaper adverts had changed over the years from packing in as much information on individual products as possible to providing the most eye-catching artwork possible to act as a "shop window" and draw people into the company's website.

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Figures show rise in sex offenders

More people with convictions are now living in Oxfordshire



Paul Gillbard, of the Thames Valley Probation Service

THE number of registered sex offenders living in Oxfordshire has risen, compared to last year's figures.

Out of Thames Valley's 960 registered sex offenders, 282 live in Oxfordshire, Mappa, the Multi-Agency Public Protection Arrangements body, has reported.

The Mappa figures, published by the Ministry of Justice, recorded the number of convicted sexual offenders in the county on March 31 this year and show that 0.043 per cent of Oxfordshire's population of 648,700 were registered sex offenders, up from 251 at the same time last year.

Elsewhere in the Thames Valley region, there were 259 registered sex offenders in Berkshire West, 151 in Buckinghamshire, 138 in Milton Keynes and 130 in Berkshire East.

The report also found that in the Thames Valley as a whole, there were 357 violent offenders and 18 other dangerous offenders being monitored.

Paul Gillbard, of Thames Valley Probation Service, said: "The first thing to say is what we do to manage each case depends what risk the

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individual is assessed to be. "The worst offenders will be subject to the Sex Offenders' Register and they will have more police attention."

Under the so-called Sarah's Law, parents can also apply to the police to find out if someone in contact with their son or daughter is a registered sex offender.

Figures were not available for the number of parents requesting disclosures about sex offenders in Oxfordshire, but Mr Gillbard said: "I know that the numbers are very, very small."

"Although it's a positive development to have this available to parents, it has been used in a relatively small number of cases."

Those on the Sex Offenders' Register are automatically monitored by Mappa.

In other cases, such as those who have committed serious and violent domestic abuse, the prison service can refer criminals for management by Mappa.

Mappa is made up of the police, probation and prison services.

News in brief

THIS month, children across Banbury will celebrate ten years of fundraising concerts aimed at tackling polio. The "Children Singing for Children", organised by the Rotary Club of Banbury, shows support for a worldwide project to tackle the disease. The concerts will take place at St Mary's Church, in Horse Fair, from November 8 to 10 and feature more than 600 children from 22 primary schools. Pupils have planted ruby-coloured bulbs in Bridge Street Park to mark the anniversary. For concert tickets, call Anker & Partners estate agents on 01295 271414.



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News in brief

A CONCERT later this month is set to raise cash for Banbury's poppy appeal. Local youngsters will perform at the North Oxfordshire Academy, in Drayton Road, on Friday, November 11. The concert will also raise cash for Care for Casualties. For tickets, call 07976 639187.

A BUS shelter in Banbury, hit by vandalism and graffiti, is to be fitted with "vandal proof" panels. The town council is set to spend £1,100 on steel panels for the shelter outside The Admiral Holland pub in Woodgreen Avenue. This will prevent panels being broken and the new material can be painted over.

FIRE crews were called to tackle a garage fire in Penrhyn Close, Banbury, on Wednesday of last week. Two engines from Banbury and one from Deddington were called at 9pm. The garage, which was in a block of ten, was destroyed.

THE National Herb Centre, Warmington, is hosting a craft fair on November 19 and 20. Stalls include ceramics, jewellery, screen painting, chocolates. People will also get a chance to meet the artists.

Three-week-old cats recover after being found in a plastic bag

Fosterers care for abandoned kittens



RSPCA branch manager Ruth Cross with the four kittens, which were dumped in a plastic bag

FOUR tiny kittens, which were found dumped in a carrier bag in a Banbury garden, are now being cared for by RSPCA foster parents.

Sadie, Sally, Tinkerbell and Alonzo were just ten days old when they were abandoned in a front garden in Lennox Gardens earlier this month.

The RSPCA was called in and now a foster carer has been found to hand-feed the three-week-old kittens every two hours.

RSPCA Inspector Luke Hughes said: "These poor kittens were extremely young. If they had not been found so quickly, they could have died. It is just heartbreaking to think that they were dumped in a plastic bag,

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like a piece of rubbish.

"We would appeal to anyone who may know the owner of these kittens to contact the RSPCA immediately."

Ruth Cross, the animal charity's branch manager, added: "They were a little bit run down because at that age they need to be fed every two hours.

"But they have pulled around with some TLC. They are doing OK at the moment."

She added: "As you can see from this incident, fosterers play a vital part role in helping animals in need. Anyone interested in signing up to become a fosterer is urged to contact the branch."

When the kittens are old enough they will be rehomed. Oxfordshire animal charities have seen a rise in abandoned animals this year.

Staff at the Oxfordshire Animal Sanctuary in Stadhampton said they were now looking after 180 abandoned cats, compared to 80 last year, and more than double the number of rabbits.

The sanctuary has taken on an extra staff member to deal with the influx.

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Region's crime figures drop by eight per cent

STATISTICS published by the Home Office showed crime across the Thames Valley Police force area dropped by more than eight per cent this year.

The figures for July 2010 to June 2011 show there were 166,333 crimes reported – 16,024 fewer compared to the same period a year earlier.

Officers dealt with 32,869 reports of violence against a person, 2,096 sexual offences, 2,025 robberies and 20,627

burglaries during the last year.

The number of sex attacks recorded in the Thames Valley area fell by nine-and-a-half per cent, with 2,096 cases this year compared to 2,316 during the same period the previous year.

But drug crime rose by just over two per cent, with a total of 7,335 cases reported this year.

Deputy Chief Constable Francis Habgood said: "The latest figures show another welcome reduction in crime

across the Thames Valley and as always, it is encouraging to see the more serious categories of crime, such as sexual offences, violent crime and robberies, on the decline."

"This performance is down to the hard work and commitment of officers and staff, as well as the continuing support from our local communities, who have shown a real dedication to helping with the fight against crime."

Victim tells of late-night assault

Police in hunt for attacker

A MAN had his nose broken after he was attacked by a stranger in Great Bourton.

The 22-year-old victim was on his way home in a taxi on Sunday, October 23, with a female friend when their car pulled into Manor Close just after 2am.

The pair asked the driver to park further down the road after they noticed another cab close behind their car.

When the second vehicle followed them along the road, the man approached it and two male passengers got out.

One of them punched the victim, leaving him with a broken nose and a cut lip, before driving off. He was treated in the Horton General Hospital.

The attacker and the man he shared the taxi with are both described as white and aged in their mid 20s.

The suspect is between 5ft

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10in and 6ft 2in tall, of average build and had dark wavy hair. He was wearing dark denim jeans.

PC Richard Lewis, who is investigating, said: "We would like to hear from anyone who witnessed the incident or has any other information which may assist us with our investigation."

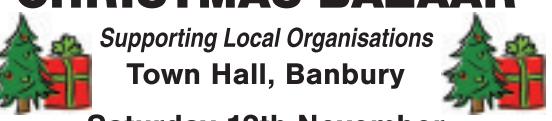
"We have carried out a number of enquiries with taxi firms but so far have not identified the taxi drivers, so we are particularly keen to hear from them. The victim did not know the men in the other taxi and the motive for the assault is under investigation."

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The study of numbers can be traced back more than 10,000 years to Egypt and Babylonia, but it was Pythagoras, who developed many of the basic theorems that form the foundation of modern mathematics, who has been credited with formally developing numerology about 2600 years ago in ancient Greece. However in the 21st century, the interest in Numerology is growing as more people are turning to Numerologists for guidance.

Those that live in Banbury can now have their numbers read and discover more about the person they are and who they could be with the help of local Numerologist Paulina Deutsch. Paulina is passionate about bringing Numerology to as many people as possible and travels throughout the UK. She has appeared on national television, including This Morning.

Paulina studied with the Connaissance School of Numerology in the UK and has been practising for 10 years. "Over the years, I have conducted countless hundreds of readings both here in the UK and in the USA – anyone who has had this experience will attest to my passion and devotion to Numerology as a way to genuinely help people understand what is going on! I am very pragmatic and down to earth – you get it straight from the heart with me" say Paulina.

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Each month Donna Hubbard, Founder of the Gymophobics chain of ladies Gyms and inventor of the acclaimed Resisted Tension exercise system, shares her secrets on diet, health & figure improvement with our readers.

In my previous columns I shared with you some of the things I ask my clients to do when they come to me for advice on losing weight. I suggested smaller portions, cutting out bread and drinking more water. Along with my very own exercise system called Resisted Tension, all of these things helped me to lose some four and a half stones in just over six months. What I did not do was go on a 'diet'. Like me, you have probably tried every diet going so you need me to give you another diet like you need a hole in the head!

My advice is not a diet. It is more like a series of simple steps designed to change the habits of a lifetime. If you can change the built in habits that have helped to make you fat, then you can not only get the figure you deserve, but more importantly, you will keep slim for the rest of your life. I know it can be done because I have done it. I lost the weight some 23 years ago and have kept it off for the past 23 years.

Compare that achievement with what happens to thousands of slimmers who lose weight with a famous chain of slimming clubs in the USA. The consumer magazine 'Which' wrote to a number of their successful slimmers, the slimmers who

had actually achieved their goal weight, and asked them one simple question. "What happened to your weight in the twelve months after you achieved your goal weight?"

Some 30,000 'successful' slimmers responded to the survey and the result was this. 93% of those slimmers had put back all of the weight that they had lost and were now heavier than when they started their diet.

Depressing isn't it? Now I don't want that to happen to you so there are two things we need to learn from that survey. The first is that in the long term 'Dieting doesn't work' and the second is that unless you can change your attitude towards food you will never achieve the figure you want.

DIET TIP

I am sure you have heard of the dieting phrase 'Breakfast like a King, Lunch like a prince, Dine like a pauper!', but to be honest I had never paid it much attention. Perhaps you are the same? It sounds too simple to be effective?

However, my perception changed when I met George and Margaret, a couple living in Stourbridge who told me that they had lost 3 stones between them in the past year without changing a thing. They ate the same food and did the same amount of exercise as the previous year so they could not understand why they had lost the weight.

"You must have changed something", I told them. "Weight does not come off by accident". They shook their heads. "Mind you" said George, "I did change my Job so that I could work closer to home". Discussing this further it turned out that George now lives close enough to go home for lunch so his wife does them both a cooked lunch and they now have a light tea in the evening. They eat exactly the same meals as before but have swapped what they eat for

lunch and dinner. So by eating more earlier in the day and a lot less later, the weight had dropped off without any change in their diet or activity levels at all.

What a simple change but one that many of my clients over the years have found very difficult to accomplish. The habit of sitting down for a cooked evening meal is a difficult one to break for many women. Difficult or not, it is something you should try. Let's face it, anything is better than following a diet surely?

EXERCISE 4

This exercise is for your outer thighs. It is designed to firm and tone the muscles we call your abductors. Lie on the floor. Lie on your left side with your left leg bent and your right leg extended. Flex your right foot then raise your right leg as far as possible then hold for the count of seven before lowering slowly to the count of five.

Repeat no more than 10 to 12 times then repeat with the opposite leg.

Next time we will look at an exercise which will improve the Bust.

Do email to tell me how you are getting along so that I can share your success with others. Contact me at: donna@gymophobics.co.uk

If you haven't exercised in a long time, if you are over forty or have an existing medical condition, always consult your Doctor before commencing any exercise or dietary regime.

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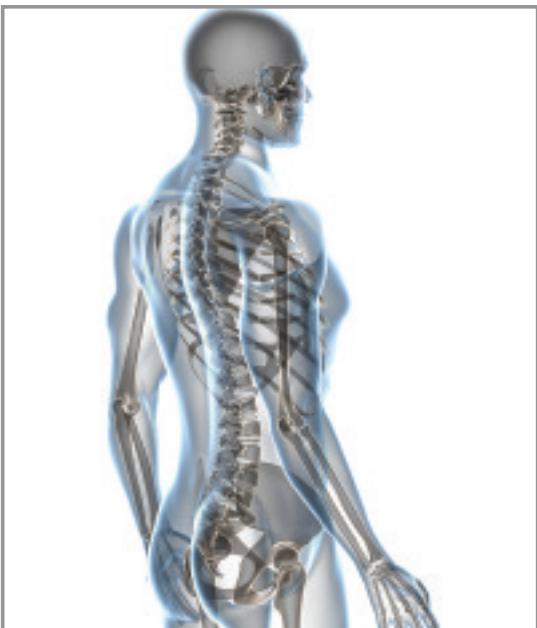
PREVENTION IS BETTER THAN CURE

Back pain has reached epidemic proportions today. For the millions who share the misery, a bad back can be a painful and frustrating experience. The performance of routine tasks can be frustrating and simple movement can no longer be taken for granted.

The majority of back problems start long before the pain.



Over the years, many patients have told me that their first injuries were before they were 20 years old. Falls as varied as off beds, bikes, horses or out of trees, to car accidents, football or sport in general. When we have seen x-rays of the affected areas it can be noticed that most of the damage has been there long before the day that the patient came to the clinic. Some of these patients have had pain over the years but others didn't find it a constant problem, so left



treatment until they did.

When the 24 bones that protect the spinal cord lose their normal position or motion, delicate nerves can become stretched or irritated. This is when the person feels the pain. It may take some time for this to happen and before this the body will twist and change, to some degree to compensate for the malfunctioning areas. This is picked up

when you have a postural examination in the clinic or you can look at yourself in a mirror at home.

By keeping the spinal joints moving, adjustments can help normalize spinal motion and sometimes reduce bone and soft tissue degeneration from the tight or locked joints.



Prevention is better than cure. Once your spine is moving better, feeling stronger and you are standing straighter, future problems can be less severe by maintaining your good posture and flexibility with a regular exercise program along with regular stretching and a manipulation program specific for you.

For more information on how back pain can be handled, see the offer this week in the accompanying advertisement for Banbury Chiropractic Clinic or call 01295 253434 to make an appointment.

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Sarah Evans is the resident hairdresser and trained at Banbury College. Since then she has worked for salons in Oxfordshire, local & national photographers on photo shoots and TV adverts. These experiences and her own creativity have driven her to learn quickly and become accomplished and confident in all areas of hairdressing. Bridal and Occasion hair is a particular speciality.

When Sarah decided to open up her own salon she wanted it to be small and intimate without big windows and huge mirrors everywhere – which can make you feel like you are sat in a

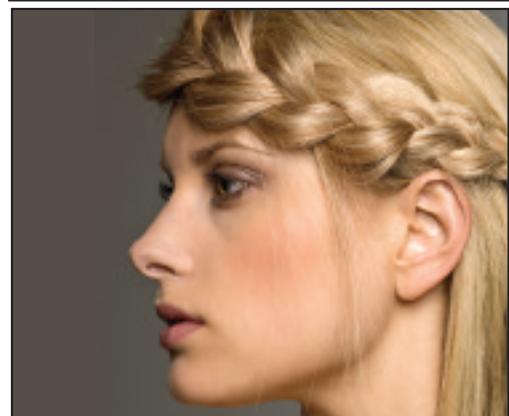
goldfish bowl. Hairography offers a tailor made experience for each Client. Listening to the requirements and desires of each individual advice is offered on colours, styles, upkeep, self styling and products. As well a holistic approach on keeping your hair healthy, manageable and gorgeous. Modern, Traditional and High impact techniques are used appropriately. The products she chose to champion form the salon needed to be kind to peoples hair and environmentally friendly so Sarah only uses Organically certified products which are more than 99% chemical free and made in the UK. They contain no Ammonia, Resorcinol, Non-oxynol, Parabens, Naphthol or Animal ingredients. The range is produced in the UK with British products used only and is the only UK product of this sort to carry the Organic certification certificates. So your hair can be as happy as you are with your new style.

Also dispelling the myth that Organic colours aren't as good as chemical Sarah says 'This system treats the hair respectfully causing no damage, more vibrancy, better grey coverage and far less fade out and there is no toxicity for the client or stylist.'

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IT IS TO SHARE Single, genuine Oxfordshire woman, 45, GSOH, slim/med build, N/S, 5'5", enjoys days out, music, films and walking, seeking a special man, kind, loving and fun, for a long term relationship. **Box 115621**

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SHALL WE DANCE? Blonde, blue-eyed Swindon girl, 54, friendly nature, well-travelled and loyal, lover of life, searching for an active, educated man, who appreciates, food, wine and life in general. **Box 110895**

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ENJOY LIFE Retired, attractive, slim Oxfordshire lady, 60, searching for a gent, 55-60, to share happy times, friendship and maybe more. **Box 104825**

SHARE MY WORLD Cheerful, bubbly Abingdon man, 59, short blonde hair, blue eyes, well travelled single dad, likes sports, chatting, family life, heavy metal music, looking for a loving woman for romance. **Box 114202**

PERFECT HARMONY Fun loving, easygoing, tactile Witney biker, 40, 6', stocky build, shaven head and goatee, seeks fun loving, cheeky lady to share life with. **Box 108035**

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THINKING OF THE FUTURE Easygoing Aylesbury female, 63, 5'2", grown up children, would like to meet a decent gent 60-65, who is a N/S trustworthy and honest, to enjoy life together. **Box 115929**

ONE PIECE MISSING Young, attractive 64yr old Witney lady, N/S, likes travelling, cooking, playing bowls, seeks tall gentleman up to 66, for a long term relationship. **Box 113881**

EACH DAY IS A NEW ONE Widower lady, 64, brown hair, blue/grey eyes, likes walking, reading, watching films, family life, gardening, sees nice gent, for tr. **Witney Box 105525**

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Tintin classic comes to life

THE ADVENTURES OF TINTIN: THE SECRET OF THE UNICORN
3D (PG, 106 mins)
Animation/Action/Comedy.
Featuring the voices of Jamie Bell, Daniel Craig, Andy Serkis, Simon Pegg, Nick Frost, Toby Jones.
Director: Steven Spielberg.

Written and drawn by Belgian artist Georges Remi under the pen name Herge, Tintin first sprang to life on the page in 1929 in the gung-ho adventure *Tintin In The Land Of The Soviets*.

The plucky reporter with the distinctive ginger quiff has travelled the world, uncovering dastardly deeds with his intrepid pooch, Snowy, by his side.

Now, thanks to Oscar-winning film-makers Steven Spielberg and Peter Jackson, the iconic character enters the 21st century using state-of-the-art motion capture, which translates actors' movements into the performances of incredibly

detailed digital characters.

The Adventures Of Tintin: The Secret Of The Unicorn is the opening salvo of a proposed trilogy, amalgamating the plots of *The Crab With The Golden Claws*, *The Secret Of The Unicorn* and *Red Rackham's Treasure*.

Spielberg directs the first film and it's a breathlessly entertaining romp, littered with eye-popping action set pieces that would simply be unthinkable – not to mention astronomically expensive – as live action.

A dizzying motorcycle chase through the winding alleys of a Moroccan marketplace is accomplished in a single take and Captain Haddock's penchant for booze provides the hilarious spark for an explosive bi-plane flight.

A terrific animated opening, reminiscent of *Catch Me If You Can*, introduces us to reporter Tintin (Jamie Bell), who buys a model ship and is plunged into a centuries-old mystery involving

Ivan Ivanovich Sakharine (Daniel Craig).

Ivan asks Tintin to name his price for the boat but the reporter refuses to sell, sensing the wooden vessel is far more valuable.

Sure enough, a cryptic conundrum lies within, revealing that "only a true Haddock will discover the secret of The Unicorn".

Blistering barnacles!

Assisted by his trusty pooch, Tintin searches for more clues, meeting booze-sodden Captain Haddock (Andy Serkis), whose family history holds the key to the mystery of a cursed shipwreck.

The Adventures Of Tintin: The Secret Of The Unicorn is a hoot, and the script, co-written by Peter Moffat, Edgar Wright and Joe Cornish, delivers some big laughs – such as when Captain Haddock reveals that one of his crew has no eyelids.

"Aye, it was a card game to remember!" growls the salty sea



dog. However, all of Spielberg's directorial brio and the gorgeous visuals cannot distract from the lack of characterisation.

The film relies entirely on nostalgia, providing no back story about Tintin or any of his friends and foes, other than what is pertinent to the mystery of The

Unicorn. Like most thrill rides, we're giddy during the film, caught up in the action but once the film ends, there's that nagging feeling that something is amiss: heart and soul.

Perhaps Tintin will unearth both in the second film, pencilled for release in 2013.

Cinema

Odeon, Horsefair, Banbury: The Adventures Of Tintin : The Secret Of The Unicorn, PG, Sat 11am*, Fri-Sat, Mon-Thu 5pm* (audio-described); (3-D) Sat-Sun 2pm, daily 9pm* (audio-described). Tower Heist, 12A, Sun 1pm, Sat-Sun 3.30pm, daily 6pm, Fri-Mon, Wed-Thu 8.30pm (subtitled Tue 8.30pm). Senior Screen: Friends With Benefits, 15, Wed doors 10.45am, programme 11am*, ends 1.03pm* (audio-described). Odeon Kids: Legend of the Guardians, PG, Sat doors 10.45am, entertainment 11am, film 11.30am, ends 1.07pm (audio-described). Box office: 0871 2244007.

The Theatre, 2 Spring Street, Chipping Norton: Mademoiselle Chambon, 12A, Sat 7.30pm. Box office: 01608 642350 (Mon-Fri 10-6pm, Sat 10-2pm).

Odeon, George Street, Oxford: Adventures of Tintin - Secret of the Unicorn, PG, Sat-Sun 10.45am, daily 1.15, 3.45, 6.15pm; (3-D) Sat-Sun, Wed 11.45am, daily 2.30, 5.15, 8pm. Anonymous, 12A, Fri, Sun, Tue, Thu 6.15pm (audio-described). Contagion, 12A, daily 3.15, 9.15pm (audio-described). Dolphin Tale, U, Sat-Sun 10.30am* (audio-described). In

Time, 12A, daily 1.30*, 4*, 6.30*, 9pm* (audio-described; subtitled Sun 6.30pm, Tue 4pm, Thu 9pm). Johnny English Reborn, PG, daily 1*. 3.30pm*, Fri-Sun, Tue-Thu 6pm* (audio-described). Machine Gun Preacher, 15, daily 8.45pm. The Help, 12A, Sat-Sun, Wed 12pm, Fri-Sun, Tue-Thu 8.30pm*, Mon 6pm. Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy, 15, Sat, Wed 6.15pm (audio-described). Tosca - Royal Opera House, PG, Mon 7.30pm*. Tower Heist, 12A, Sat-Sun, Wed 11.30am, 2, 4.30, 7.9.30pm (audio-described; subtitled Fri 4.30pm, Sat 11.30am, Mon 9.30pm, Wed 2pm). Odeon Kids: Spy Kids - All The Time In The World, PG, Sat-Sun 11.15am*. Senior Screen: Friends With Benefits, 15, Wed 10.45am*. Box office: 0871 2244007.

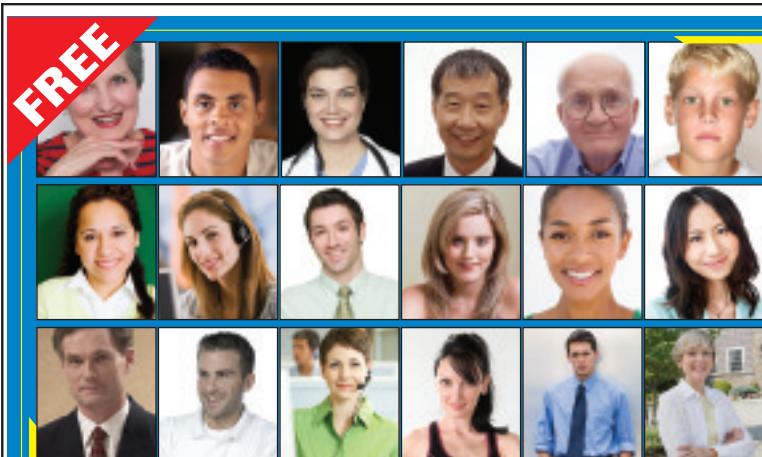
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Phoenix Picture House, Walton Street, Oxford: The Future, 12A, Fri, Mon,

Thu 12.45pm, 8.45pm, Fri, Mon, Wed-Thu 3.30, 6.15pm, Sat 3.45, 6, 9.45pm, Sun 3, 5, 8.15pm, Tue 1.15, 3.45, 6, 9pm. The Help, 12A, Fri, Mon, Wed-Thu 3, 5.45pm, Sat 12.45pm, 8.15pm, Sun 1.45, 7.15pm, Tue 3.30, 8.15pm. We Need To Talk About Kevin, 15, Fri, Mon-Thu 1pm, Sun 12.30pm, 5.15pm, Fri, Mon, Thu 8.30pm. World Cinema: Tomboy, U, Mon 8.45pm (French, subtitled). Christopher Hitchens in conversation with Stephen Fry, live by satellite, Wed 8.30pm. Kids Club: Spy Kids IV, PG, Sat activities Sat 12.45pm, film 1.30pm. Big Scream: The Future, 12A, Wed doors 11am, film 11.30am. Box office: 0871 704 2062.

Vue Cinema, Grenoble Road, Oxford: Snow Flower and the Secret Fan, 12A, Mon-Thu 5.30pm. Kids AM: Rio 1 Hour 56 Mins, PG, Sat-Sun 10am; The Smurfs II, U, Sat-Sun 10am. The Adventures of Tintin - Secret of the Unicorn, PG (3-D), daily 1, 3.30, 6, 8.30pm, Fri-Sat, Wed 11pm. In Time, 12A, Sat-Sun 10.40am, daily 1.15, 3.40, 6.10, 8.50pm, Fri-Sat, Wed 11.30pm. Tower Heist, 12A, daily 12.40pm, 3.10, 5.40, 8.10pm, Fri-Sat, Wed 10.40pm.

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■ EVO-STIK SOUTHERN LEAGUE

Squad's unbeaten run

BANBURY extended their unbeaten run to five games with this draw against their opponents from Swindon.

United got off to the best possible start when they were awarded an easy penalty in the third minute after young Will Green went around the outside of Matt Robinson on the right, but he was too quick for the Swindon defender, who brought him down. Green then got up to place the spot-kick to keeper Kent Kauppinen's left and give Banbury an early lead.

Swindon looked anything but a basement club as they knuckled down to work for an equaliser, and they looked the more likely to get the next goal in an end-to-end opening quarter-hour. Sure enough, in the 23rd minute they equalised when Nick Stanley rifled home a terrific shot from 22 yards, which gave Andy Kemp no chance.

Straight from the re-start, United almost retook the lead when Danny Edmund saw his close-range effort deflect off the keeper's legs. Then in the 32nd minute, Ben Polk sent over a

■ Banbury Utd 1
(Green pen 3)

terrific cross from the left which beat everyone to reach Josh Cole on the far edge of the six-yard box, but his snap shot was brilliantly saved by Kauppinen.

■ Swindon Supermarine 1
(Stanley 23)

After the break, Banbury started to look more dangerous. Kauppinen kept his side in the game in the 66th minute when his quick reactions beat out a fine shot from Green. Two minutes later, and

the visitors managed to bundle the ball away for a corner, following a goal-mouth melee which saw the ball blocked on the goal-line twice.

In the first minute of injury time, Green crossed to the near post where Ryan Howell's diving header somehow ballooned over the crossbar.



Will Green

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General Foods Club, Spiceball Park Road, Banbury: Music from singer Ali. 9pm. £1. 01295 252852.

The Musketeer, Ruscote Avenue, Banbury: Laurence. An evening with one of Oxfordshire's popular performers. Expect to hear anything from Jerry Lee Lewis to Bruno Mars! 9pm. 0871 951 1000.

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SATURDAY

General Foods Club, Spiceball Park Road, Banbury (downstairs): Musical duo, The Megastar Boys. 9pm. £1.

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The Jericho, Walton Street, Oxford: The Original Rabbit Foot Spasm Band headline Fireworks Night Goes Pop – an eclectic and lively night of new music showcasing the best of the county's music scene, co-presented by the *Oxford Mail*. Support comes from Matt Winkworth and the Winkworthers Originals and The Dreaming Spires, featuring Truck festival's Robbin and Joe Bennett and Loz Colbert of Ride. Prizes for Bonfire Night-themed fancy dress. Doors 7.30pm. Tickets £7 (£6.50 NUS) in advance from www.gottit.co.uk or on the door. £1 off with that day's *Oxford Mail* or an *Oxford Mail Loyalty Card*.

SUNDAY

Holywell Music Room, Holywell Street, Oxford: Coffee Concert. The Adderbury Ensemble led by David Lepage perform Schubert's String Quintet in C. £11, £10. 11.15am. 01865 305305.

Isis Farmhouse, Thames Towpath Iffley, Oxford: Post-Guy Fawkes party, in aid of the Mike Woodin Trust. Good beer, good food, good music. From 2pm onwards. Free admission and family-friendly. Music from Moiety, Les Petits Clochards, New Moon (TBO), The Mark Bosley Band, The Water Margin, and other acts. Donations appreciated. 01865 243854.

The Queen's College Chapel, High Street, Oxford: Choral service. 6.15pm. There will be a retiring collection. 01865 279125.

MONDAY

Ampleforth Arms, 53 Collinwood Road, Risninghurst: Jazz and blues. Enjoy a great jam session. 9pm. 01865 762372.

New Theatre, George Street, Oxford: The Pink Floyd Show. In The Flesh present an appreciation of Pink Floyd music, featuring a seven-piece live band. £23.50. 7.30pm. 0844 847 1585 and 1588.

St Michael at the North Gate, Cornmarket Street, Oxford: Music on Mondays. Free concert. Enjoy superb music in this lovely church. 1pm. Bring sandwiches, free tea and coffee. Make it a regular date. 01865 240940.

Mill Arts Centre, Spiceball Park, Banbury:

Nov 3, *Shylock*, by Gareth Armstrong. Performed by Guy Masterson. The tragic, tempestuous and often unbelievable life of fiction's most famous Jew. 7.30pm. £12, concession £10.

Nov 4, *Young and Strange*. A fast-paced magic, comedy and illusion show. £14. 7.30pm.

Nov 5 Appalachian Roots – Ira Bernstein and Riley Baugus. A dynamic mix of traditional dance, song and instrumental music from the Southern Appalachian region of the USA. 8pm. £15, concession £13.

Nov 8, Lorca – *Amore en el Jardin*. Drama and music with Spain's great writer, Federico García Lorca. This is a tale of absurd comedy, fantasy and, ultimately, grotesque tragedy. Wealthy Don Perlimplin wants to spend days reading books, but his housekeeper has other ideas. Reluctantly, he agrees to marry the gorgeous and much younger Belisa, but what has he let himself in for? 7.30pm. £14, concession £12. (To be performed in Spanish.)

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Milton Keynes Theatre, 500 Marlborough Gate, Milton Keynes:

Until Nov 6, *Slava*. Melding hilarity and poignancy with stunning spectacle and breathtaking, fantastical images, *Slava's* snowshow is an unmistakably unmissable comedy masterpiece. *Slava* and his ensemble of clowns use water, cobwebs, bubbles and dry ice with dazzling effect, culminating in a blinding snowstorm. Thur-Sat 7.30pm Thu, Sat-Sun 2.30pm.

Nov 8, 11 *La Bohème*, Puccini's tale of young love, performed by Glyndebourne Opera. (Italian, with supertitles). Tue, Fri 7.15pm.

Nov 9, 12, *Don Pasquale*. Donizetti, a new production performed by Glyndebourne Opera. Wed, Sat 7.15pm. (In Italian, with supertitles). Box office: 0844 871 7652.

Oxford Playhouse, Beaumont Street, Oxford:

Until Nov 5, *Earthquakes in London*. A new play by Mike Bartlett featuring a fast and furious metropolitan crash of people, scenes and decades. A Headlong and National Theatre co-production. Tickets £9.50-£24.50. Thu and Sat 7.30pm, Fri 8pm, 1588.

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New Theatre, George Street, Oxford:

Nov 3, *Will Young*. 7.30pm. Nov 4, *One Night of Elvis*. 7.30pm. Nov 5, *Bill Bailey*. Dandelion Mind tour, based loosely on the theme of doubt, plus demonstrations of new instruments, ancient and modern. 8pm.

Nov 6, *That'll be the Day*. Brand new tour. £16, £21, £23.50. 7.30pm.

Nov 7, *In The Flesh – The Pink Floyd Show*. 7.30pm.

Nov 8, *Dave Gorman, PowerPoint Presentation*. Gorman has formed a double act – with a projector screen. £21. 8pm.

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Warning as HIV is on the rise

THE number of people living with HIV in Oxfordshire has more than doubled in the past nine years, new figures show.

Latest figures from the Oxford Radcliffe Hospitals NHS Trust show there are now are 458 people with the immune system disease, compared to 186 in 2002 – a rise of 146 per cent.

Doctors say the rise is partly down to a greater awareness of symptoms leading to a higher rate of diagnosis, along with better treatment that prolongs the onset of deadly AIDS.

But while HIV was once seen as a death sentence for its victims, researchers at the University of Bristol have found the life expectancy of an average 20-year old infected with HIV has increased from 30 years in 1996-9 to almost 46 years in 2006-8.

Jake North, not his real name, was told he would not live past 30 when he was diagnosed aged 21 after a night of unsafe sex.

The 37-year-old from Oxfordshire, who is bi-



Victim living in the shadow of HIV

sexual, said: "Friends enjoyed the risk of unsafe sex and I decided to try it. I didn't know the guy, or even his name, and it was just one time – but that one time gave me HIV."

He said: "About three months after that night of unsafe sex I contracted a rash and flu-like symptoms and I went to my doctor. When he took me somewhere different than normal to give me my results I knew it was bad news. And when he said I was HIV positive I just went numb."

The 37-year-old from Oxfordshire, who is bi-

"I was 21 and it seemed like my life was over."

The news sent him careering off the rails and into drug abuse, using "club drugs" like ecstasy, speed and acid, of which he is now clean.

Seven years after diagnosis he told his parents he had HIV.

Mr North said: "They were very distressed and angry. But they and my friends have given me so much support."

He takes an Atripla pill each day and says while this is combating the disease, it has

caused side effects including depression, fatigue, low appetite and stomach problems.

He said: "I no longer feel HIV controls my life or defines me but it still makes me mad people are taking risks and contracting HIV."

"I see it as a responsibility of mine to warn people and even scare people into safe sex."

Mr North vowed when he was diagnosed that no one would ever get HIV from him – and said no one ever had.

The latest HIV figures are for March 2010.

Figures from the Health Protection Agency show 83 people, aged 15 to 59, were accessing HIV-related care in Cherwell last year.

Sarah Rowland-Jones, a consultant in infectious diseases, said: "People do what they always do. Maybe 20 years ago there was a big campaign and everybody was really careful."

"Now maybe people are thinking it is not that bad, it can be treated so let's not worry about it."

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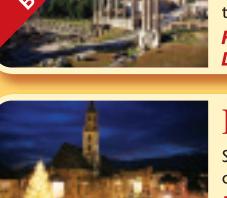
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By David Duffy

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The test car, powered by the larger 81 horsepower unit, is both nippy and nimble round town, yet surefooted at higher speeds, though road noise builds steadily as speed increases.

Inside, the focal point of the cabin is the motorcycle-style instrument 'pod', which sits on top of the steering column. The analogue speedometer is backed up by a sports motorcycle-style digital rev counter, backlit by 'ice blue' lighting when the headlights are turned on.

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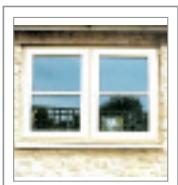
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